THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. With a review to disseminate technical know how in the villages specially to the farmers, the Ministry of Food, launched Save Grain Campaign to educate, motivate and persuade the farmers for adoption of scientific storage facilities at farmers level.

(c) District-wise non-metallic storage structures constructed/improved in Gujarat State with the assisance of Ministry of Food during 1992-93 are as under:—

Ahmedabad	289
Gandhinagar	189
Kheda	430
Panchmahal	264
Surendranagar	88
Badodara	58
Banskantha	40
Dang	09
Mehsana	225
Rajkot	35
Sabarkantha	373
TOTAT:	2,000

In addition, 8610 metal storage bins of different capacities were also supplied to farmers in Gujarat State.

Setting up of small farmers agri-Business consortium

1065. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has decided to set up shortly the Small Farmers Agri-business Consortium (SFAC);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the States have been consulted in the establishment of the consortium; and

(d) whether some regions have been chosen for the operation of this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The formation of Small Farmers Agri-Business Consortium (SFAC) is under process of its being registered as a Society under the Societies of Registration Act, 1860.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Mango-growing area

1066. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the area under mango plantation in the country, State-wise;

(b) the quantum of mango produced in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the average annual yield of mango per tree, State-wise;

(d) whether any programme has been drawn up for expansion of mango growing area as also to increase productivity of tree and qualitative improvement of mango;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) The data on area for 1990-91 are not available. Production figures for 1989-90 to 1991-92 and area for 1989-90 and 1991-92 are given in the Statement, (*See* below).

(c) The figures for average annual yield for mango per tree State-wise are not collected.